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In re Patent Application of :

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For: **β,β-CAROTENE 15,15'-DIOXYGENASES,  
NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES CODING  
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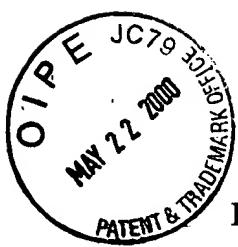
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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application -

Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted April 25, 2000 in the above-identified application, Applicants submit herewith the following:

- (1) Declaration signed by all inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63;
- (2) Part 2 of the Formalities Letter; and
- (3) a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge.



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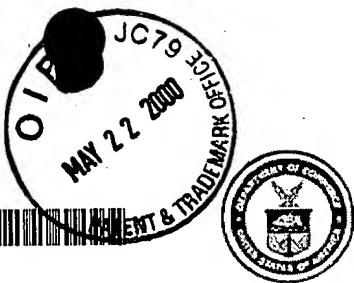
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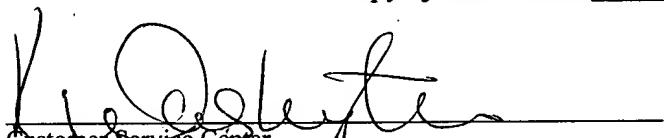
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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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